



2017 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The primary objectives of the Wichita Manufacturers Association are to promote the general welfare of manufacturers, to educate the public regarding manufacturing companies and their products, to meet at members' plants so as to acquaint the members of the Association with one another and with their products and operations, to attract, advise and assist other manufacturers who may wish to locate in the Wichita area, and to support appropriate educational opportunities and other activities that promote and develop better manufacturing interests, methods and employees.

WMA annually solicits its membership for funding of its Scholarship Program as a part of its promotion of manufacturing through education. We match those funds underwritten by the membership with exceptional students who are pursuing certification and/or degrees in manufacturing-related disciplines. The scholarship awards typically are for \$1,000 each and are paid directly to the school for application toward tuition and/or education related expense. Preference is given to individuals likely to seek employment with (or are already an employee of) a manufacturing company in South Central Kansas.

Sponsors may "name" their respective scholarship. Scholarships are typically "named" in one of the following ways: in the name of a company (such as ABC, Inc.) or in memorial of an individual (such as a company founder).

The deadline for commitments to sponsor scholarships is January 25, 2017 with actual receipt of scholarship funds by February 28, 2017.